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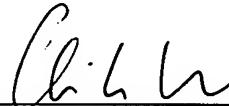
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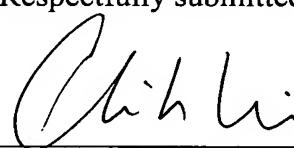
SIR:

In response to the Office Action of June 1, 2007, transmitted herewith is an Amendment for filing in the above-identified application.

The Office Action of June 1, 2007 set a three-month period of time for responding. The period of time for responding expires on September 1, 2007. Accordingly, this response is timely.

Applicants believe that no fees are due. However, if any fees are due, the Commissioner is authorized, as appropriate and/or necessary, to charge any such fees or credit any overpayment to Kenyon & Kenyon LLP Deposit Account No. 11-0600. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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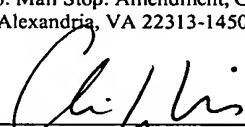


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AMENDMENT

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated June 1, 2007, kindly amend the
above-captioned application without prejudice as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims,
which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.